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## OBITUARIES

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**Thomas Lester Geer**, 82, of Gulfport, died Thursday, May 23, 2002, in Gulfport. "Lester" was born June 20, 1919, in Pascagoula. He served in the United States Coast Guard during World War II aboard the USS Peoria. As a young man, he was employed by Brumfield's Department Store in Pascagoula. After moving to Lafayette, La., he began a thirty year career with the International Shoe Company. Mr. Geer and his wife Pearl, also lived in Slidell, La., for fifteen years.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother, Mr. Thomas Lester, Sr. & Mrs. Ethel Inez Moody Geer, infant son, James Ernest Geer, brother Charlie Geer, and a son in law, Harry Daigle.

Mr. Geer is survived by his wife of sixty-two years, Anna Pearl Myers Geer of Gulfport, four sons and three daughters in law, Tommy & Hedy Geer of Lafayette, La., Chuck & Sharon Geer of Plantation, Fla., Jerry & Colleen Geer of Lafayette, La., and Bobby Geer of Escatawpa, three daughters and two sons in law, Patricia Daigle of River Ridge, La., Carol & Kenneth Cooper of Memphis, Tenn., and Renee & Mark Ward of Gulfport, twenty eight grandchildren, and twenty three great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be Saturday, May 25, 2002 from 6 until 8 p.m. at Holder-Wells Funeral Home in Moss Point.

Funeral services will be Sunday, May 26, 2002, at 2 p.m. from the funeral home chapel with Rev. Otis Dewelling officiating.

Interment will follow in Machpelah Cemetery, Pascagoula.

Arrangements by Holder-Wells Funeral Home, Moss Point.